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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 26, 2003

Sir:

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants respectfully request a two-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for responding to the Office Action mailed on September 26, 2003, in the above-captioned application. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the time for response be extended up to and including February 26, 2004. A check in the amount of \$ 524.00 is attached to cover the two-month extension of time fee and additional independent claim fee. In the event of any variance between the amount enclosed and the fees determined by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, please charge or credit any such variance to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Office Action mailed September 26, 2003, please amend the above-captioned application as set forth below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 4 of this paper

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.